

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER

2024

THE 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



10.30am Parish Communion

Choristers and Adult Choir

Organ Prelude	Prelude on 'Windsor' - Gordon Cameron (1900-1989)
Readings	Malachi 3.1-4 Philippians 1.3-11 Luke 3.1-6
Introit	HON 401 On Jordan's bank
Gradual	HON 566 Ye servants of the Lord
Offertory	HON 321 Love divine, all loves excelling
Recessional	HON 78 Christ is the world's true light
Setting	Missa prima sexti toni - Giovanni Croce
Anthem	Rorate Coeli - Francisco Guerrero
Organ Voluntary	Prelude on 'Bristol' - Gordon Cameron

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Adult Choir

Organ Prelude	Pastorale on Fairest Lord Jesus - Ian Tracey b1955
Readings	Isaiah 40.1-11 Luke 1.1-25
Psalm	75, 76
Hymns	NEH 8 Lift up your heads ye mighty gates NEH 6 Hark the glad sound! NEH 500 Thy kingdom come, O God
Responses	Plainsong
Setting	The Second Service - William Byrd
Anthem	Audivi Vocem - Thomas Tallis
Organ Voluntary	Improvisation on a Herefordshire carol - Ian Tracey

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PRAYERS



Please remember those whose
anniversaries fall at this time:

Renee Massey, Sally Flather, Margaret Elizabeth Walker

NOTICES

GIVING TO ST JOHN'S- We have a variety of ways set up that you can give to St Johns. We have now set up a **donation** page on our website. www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk You can give one-off payments or set up regular payments via the secure portal on the website. We have also got QR Codes (scan this) and a fixed 'text to give' number that you can donate on. *Text 70085 to give £5 (plus your standard network text message rate).*



Pink Cards – if you make a direct bank payment you can pick up a pink card to put on the offertory plate in lieu of your cash / cheque donation.

ST JOHN'S RANMOOR



Wednesday
Lunch Club

LUNCH CLUB - The Wednesday Lunch club meets every Wednesday following the Holy Communion and transport is available. Please let Claire in the office or any of the clergy know if you would like to come along



ADVENT STUDY GROUP -This Advent we shall be looking at the Nativity from the perspective of different women who were part of the story. We will be exploring the personal stories of these women - some of whom are clearly named in the Bible, whilst others are fictional but someone like them might have existed. We shall be using for our studies Paula Gooder's book 'Women of the Nativity' (ISBN 978-1-78140-460-7). This consists of nine imagined stories all from the

perspective of women. In our three weekly study groups we shall be looking at stories based on the matriarchs and the patriarchs, the prophets and John the Baptist. They take us on a journey through Advent in this time of watching and waiting patiently for the birth of our Saviour this Christmastide. Our weekly study group will take place on Thursday 12th and 19th December at 2.30pm. We will meet in Room 2 in the Parish Centre. Please bring a Bible with you. (It is not essential to have the book). Revd. Alison Wragg will lead each session. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of Church if you would like to join this group. **ADVENT QUIET MORNING** - We are again holding an Advent Quiet Morning on Saturday 14th December from 9.30 - 12.30 in church. Tea and coffee will be served at 9.30am and our reflections will commence at 10.00am. There

will be four short reflections based on the stories of Mary and Shiphrah from 'Women of the Nativity' by Paula Gooder. Each reflection will be followed by a time of silence when a number of silent activities will be available at different stations in church. The morning will conclude with a silent eucharist. The morning will be led by Alison. We do hope you will make space in the busy build-up to Christmas to join us on the Advent journey and discover afresh the story of Christmas. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of Church if you would like to participate in our Advent quiet time. Alison Wragg & Sandra Green

CHURCH FLORAL DECORATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS -We will be decorating the church on **Saturday 21st December** between 9.45am - 12.00am and need lots of arrangers to help us please. We will be continuing to produce eco - friendly arrangements and shall be using potted plants on the window sills this year. We have a simple design in mind and we will guide you through the design on the day. Sandra and Jackie will purchase the plants for the window sills and the flowers for the pedestals from the market.

If you are new to flower arranging and are interested in learning we are a very friendly group of people and we will gladly give you help and encouragement on the day. Or perhaps you might like to just come along and watch the arrangements take shape!

If you would like to help or be involved, please could you get in touch with us. Thank you. We look forward to hearing from you. Jackie Lowe 0114 2303999

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sandra.green70@gmail.com **Donations towards the cost of Christmas Flowers**

We rely on the generous donations of the congregation to be able to purchase flowers to decorate the church and we would be very grateful for any donations towards the Christmas flowers please. Thank you.

2025

SUNDAY SOCIAL 2025 - The Sunday Social Dates for 2025 Are: Sunday 26th January, Sunday 23rd February and Sunday 23rd March.

FACULTY APPLICATION - The PCC have applied for a faculty to remove the structure over the baptism font. There are notices at the back of church and in the porch, with details on how to comment on the application



FAIR TRADE - the fair trade stall will be in Church on Sunday morning.

NEXT WEEK

Monday to Saturday

9am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 11th December

10-12.30pm Foodbank

11.30am Holy Communion in the Parish Centre

12.30pm Wednesday Lunch Club

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 12th December

10am Toddler and baby group

2.30-4pm Advent Study Group (Ranmoor Parish Centre)

Saturday 14th December

9.30am tea/coffee for 10am start Advent Quiet Morning

Sunday 15th December

10.30am Parish Communion

2.30pm Messy Church

4pm Christingle

6.30pm Choral Evensong

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

OUR SERVICES & EVENTS DURING ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Thursday 5th, 12 & 19th December

2.30-4pm Advent Study Group
Ranmoor Parish Centre

Sunday 1st December

10.30am All Age Communion with baptism
6.30pm Advent Procession

Wednesday 4th December

5.30pm Choral Evensong

Thursday 5th December

8pm Christmas Organ Recital
Peter Heginbotham

Saturday 7th December

7.30pm Christmas Extravaganza 

Sunday 8th December

10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

Wednesday 11th December

10-12.30pm Foodbank Collection

Saturday 14th December

9.30am for 10am start
Advent Quiet Morning followed by
Silent Eucharist at midday


Sunday 15th December

10.30am Parish Communion
2.30pm Messy Church
4pm Christingle
6.30pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 22nd December

10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols

Tuesday 24th December

4pm Nativity 
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day

10.30am Parish Communion

Sunday 29th December

10.30am Parish Communion (Said)
No evening services at St Johns

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Where you see **Ticketsource**, please go online and reserve a ticket. Christmas Extravaganza tickets are sold via **Ticketsource** or the Parish Office. If you cannot join us in person don't worry, as all our services listed here will be on Youtube too. (excluding the Christmas extravaganza)

To book through **Ticketsource** visit our **Christmas Services** page on the **St John's Ranmoor Website**

Throughout December:

Monday to Saturday:
9am Morning Prayer in Church & on ZOOM

Wednesdays:
11.30am Holy Communion in the Parish Centre
5.30pm Said Evensong



Speak up confidentially

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